

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Wasilla Parks and Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, February 10, 2016, at Curtis D. Menard Memorial Sports Center, Wasilla, Alaska. Co-Chairman Joan Matthews called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Commissioners present and establishing a quorum were:

Ms. Mary Champine, Seat A  
Ms. Joan Matthews, Seat D  
Ms. Randy Robinson, Seat E

Commissioner Dave Tuttle and Debbie Martin was excused.

Staff in attendance were:

Ms. Joan Klapperich, Recreation & Cultural Services Director  
Mr. Lynn Follett, Parks  
Ms. Tammy Ostrom, Menard Center Secretary

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Matthews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. ELECTION OF PARKS AND RECREATION CHAIR**

MOTION: Commissioner Robinson made a motion to elect Commissioner Dave Tuttle for Parks and Recreation Chair.

SECOND: Commissioner Champine second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

**V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Co-Chair Matthews asked if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

## **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Co-Chair Matthews asked if there were any changes to the January 13, 2016 minutes.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes were approved as presented without objection.

## **VI. STAFF REPORTS**

Ms. Joan Klapperich:

- Per Archie, working on Bumpus trails, with realignment around Mat-Su Steelers proposed ballfields. Crusey bus stop to be repaired this week with new clear plastic panels. Expand Lake Lucile Park dock as time allows. Dirt work will begin this spring, moving the top soil pile at the Menard Center to prepare for the rodeo in May.
- Upcoming events at the Menard Center: 2016 First National Cup State Hockey Championship February 11-13th, Alaska Military Youth Academy Drill Competition February 12<sup>th</sup>, Disney Tribute on Ice, featuring the Learn to Skate students and local soloists February 20<sup>th</sup> 12-2pm.
- FY 17-18 Budget preparations continue.
- Skate the Lake a big success with 50 in attendance. Suggested different seating area for next year's event.

Mr. Lynn Follett:

- Working on Maureen McCombs trail.
- Working on painting pavilions that were vandalized.
- Will work on installing 2 park benches at Carter Park.
- Working on designing a cover for the flat bed car at Iditapark.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)**

Gary Max owner of SiteLines Park & Playground Products: Spoke regarding current trends for parks and outdoor equipment.

## **VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

A. Committee of the Whole

MOTION: Commissioner Robinson moved to enter into Committee of the Whole for the discussion of Unfinished Business.

GENERAL CONSENT: No objection noted.

Volunteer Program:

- Commissioner Robinson working on contacting volunteers on the volunteer list.

Clean up Days:

- Clean up Days will be May 2<sup>nd</sup>-May 7<sup>th</sup> 2016.
- Ms. Klapperich will draft a Clean-up Days donation letter.

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Wasilla:

- No report this month; next meeting date March 21, 2016.

The Parks and Recreation Commission exited Committee of the Whole.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Letter from Helmut Fuchs regarding 40 acres bordering Bumpus:

MOTION: Commissioner Shampine made a motion to recommend the City of Wasilla acquire property Tract A1 (SW1/4 of NE1/4 Sec. 5, T17N) on Mystery Avenue currently owned by the Fuchs Family.

SECOND: Commissioner Robinson second the motion.

VOTE: All Commissioners were in favor.

**X. AUDIENCE COMMENTS (3-minutes per person)**

**XI. STAFF AND COMMISSION COMMENTS**

Commissioner Robinson:

- Commented that a couple skated from Mud Lake to Newcomb Park for the Skate the Lake event.

Commissioner Shampine:

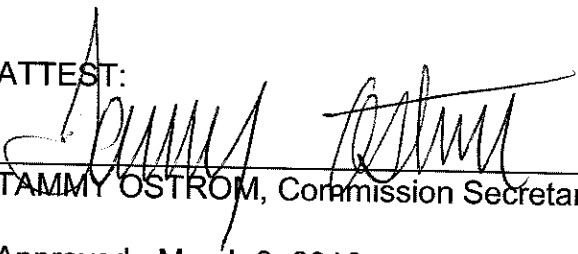
- Commented that bark is being stripped from the trees at Lake Lucile Park; and
- Commented that Skate the Lake went well, for future could use bales of hay for people to use while putting their skates on.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

Co-Chairman Matthews adjourned meeting at 7:31pm and noted that the next meeting is scheduled for March 9, 2016, 6:00pm at Menard Center.

  
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JOAN MATTHEWS, Co-Chair

ATTEST:



TAMMY OSTROM, Commission Secretary

Approved: March 9, 2016.